

VFW Center Township Post 6158

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Fair Oaks, CA 95628

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July 2026

VFW Post 6158 	VFW Post Housing Committee Meeting: 7 pm, 1st Tuesday each month VFW Post General Meeting 7 pm, 2nd Tuesday each month
VFW Aux 6158 UNWAVERING SUPPORT  FOR UNCOMMON HEROES	VFW Auxiliary Membership Meeting: 7 pm, 2nd Tuesday each month
AL Post 383 	American Legion Executive Committee Meeting: 7 pm, 3rd Tuesday each month American Legion General Membership Meeting: 7 pm, 4th Tuesday each month
ALA. Unit 383 	American Legion Auxiliary Membership Meeting: 6 pm, 4th Tuesday each month

Comrades, Families, and Friends of VFW Post 6158

VFW Commander's Corner

By Gary Burns

I am honored to serve as Post Commander for the upcoming year. I am delighted to have a great team of VFW volunteers who have stepped up to serve as post officers. We not only have a responsibility to contribute to our national organization as members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, but we are also stewards of the facility we all call "home."

Over the past year, many costly repairs and improvements were made to keep our post running. This was a common theme five years ago when I previously served as commander. Eric Follestad and his team of officers did an amazing job strategically prioritizing the needs of our facility and getting necessary work completed.

Looking ahead, I am eager to work with Cynthia Juarez and our VFW Auxiliary. We share the same core mission of supporting our veterans, active-duty service members, and their families. I also look forward to collaborating with Chris Siegfried and Suzanne Winters of our American Legion and Legion Auxiliary. Our organizations are deeply similar, and many of us hold dual memberships. I look forward to finding new ways our organizations can better serve each other.

We are all part of the veteran family. We are a team. And with a TEAM—Together Everyone Achieves More!

Here is a list of our post officers:

Commander - Gary Burns

Senior Vice Commander - James Copley

Junior Vice Commander - Robert Rendon

Quartermaster - Eric Follestad

Chaplain - James Copley

Adjutant - Glenn Haas

Trustees - William Stapelfeld, Keith Murray,
Robert Phillip

Benefits Advisor - Chuck Jamison

Judge Advocate - Mike Moore

Surgeon - William Stapelfeld

4th of July - 250th Celebration of America

Please join us on Independence Day at the post's Family Day BBQ. The post will be providing BBQ Hamburgers and Hot Dogs. Please bring a side dish to share for a potluck lunch from Noon - 3.

Commemorative VFW Post 6158 Challenge Coin

For the 250th Anniversary of our nation's freedom, we have a limited number of custom made challenge coins available. Coins will be available starting on July 4th for \$8 each, or three for \$20 while supplies last.



VFW Auxiliary –Back for Another Year
By Linda Rucker

The VFW Auxiliary is gathering items for our rummage sale in September. We are in desperate need of plastic totes to store items. Please contact Linda Rucker 916-247-3542 for more information. We need good items, so spread the word to friends and neighbors. Let's make this our best year yet. All profits go to our VFW and Auxiliary projects. We bought a powerful outdoor sound system last year to use for our events held outside.

ALA/AUX Chaplain's Article
By Denise Verbeck
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Greetings to all our beloved Auxiliary members. If you or someone you know from our organization is in the hospital, sick at home, going through a rough patch, or has lost a loved one, please, contact me.

If you are celebrating your birthday, please join us on our 4th. Tuesday, at our meeting at 6 pm, I'll treat you to a celebratory drink.

Music Circus July 9, 2026
Young Frankenstein

Once again members of the VFW, American Legion, and the Auxiliaries have an opportunity to attend a FREE Music Circus Dress rehearsal performance. Thanks to Music Circus' commitment to support non-profit community service organizations, we will have up to 2 tickets per member until the 50+ tickets are gone. This will be a hilarious evening full of music and laughter. The musical is on Thursday, July 9, at 7:30. Carpooling is Strongly encouraged!!

Ticket dispersants will take Place at the July 6 Monday night dinner or at the Music Circus venue on July 9 at 6:30.

If you have questions feel free to ask Denise at deniseverb@aol.com

Sacramento Stand-down
September 24-26

This is a great opportunity to help our unhoused veterans. I will have a comprehensive list of items our veterans need. One of the treasures that our Post has made in the past is our knit beanies. So, this is a good time to get started.

July 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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	MONDAY-FRIDAY POST IS OPEN AT 2:00 PM			6:00 dinner Ham 7:00 pm Karaoke		POST OPEN AT 1100 AM 4th of July Potluck 12 - 3 pm
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
POST OPEN AT 1100 AM	10 am – 1 pm Troopathon 3105 Fite Cir. Suite 108, Sacramento 6:00 dinner Salmon 7:00 pm Karaoke	6:00 pm Event Planning 7 pm VFW House Committee Meeting		6:00 dinner Chicken Teriyaki 7:00 pm Karaoke		POST OPEN AT 1100 AM
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
POST OPEN AT 1100 AM	6:00 dinner Pork Loin 7:00 pm Karaoke	7 pm VFW Auxiliary Membership Meeting:		6:00 dinner Ribs 7:00 pm Karaoke		POST OPEN AT 1100 AM
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
POST OPEN AT 1100 AM	6:00 dinner Chicken Gorgonzola 7:00 pm Karaoke	7 pm AL Board Meeting		6:00 dinner Lasagna 7:00 pm Karaoke		POST OPEN AT 1100 AM
26	27	28	29	30	31	
POST OPEN AT 1100 AM	6:00 dinner Meatloaf 7:00 pm Karaoke	6 pm ALA Unit Meeting 7 pm AL Post Meeting		6:00 dinner Shepards Pie 7:00 pm Karaoke		